

Ibis species

19 Apr 1976

Lake View, Sac Co., IA

*Glenn E. Jones, E Weiner, M Bohemayer

IBL 45:59, 46:82

Record Number: 81-JG

Classification: A-D

DOCUMENTATION

Glenn E. Jones (on same sheet with 81-JF)

REFERENCE

Field Reports: IBL 45:59, 46:82

VOTE (1981): for sp 4-III, 1-IV, 1-V (III?); for White-faced 1-III, 2-IV, 2-V; for Glossy 3-V, 2-VI

No details from observers (despite Halmi's statement); III if doc. available.

documentor did not actually observe this bird.

Glossy V, unlikely; White-faced IV, insufficient details; sp III, few details, but birds seen 1975 and well described.

RECONSIDERED (at meeting, 5 Sep 1981): Plegadis sp. III

Brown, W. H., 1975, Field reports. Iowa Bird Life 45:55-59. p 56

"Two independent reports of 2 Plegadis sp could refer to the same individuals. Glenn E. Jones, WL Biologist at Rockwell City, saw the Glossy Ibis 2 miles south of Lake View on 9 May and Dick Weiner, Conservation Officer at Black Hawk Lake S. P. told of 2 White-faced Ibis on the same date (fide EM)." 13
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Halmi, N. S., 1976, Field reports. Iowa Bird Life 46:81-86. p 82

"The sighting of 2 Ibises on April 19 s of Lake View was belatedly reported. Two similar birds were seen in the same location in May 1975 (fide GJ). Documentation is convincing for Plegadis sp. but assignment to the species White-faced Ibis is only inferential." 14

Middlewestern Prairie Region
(Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio)

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BIRDS: VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF AN EXTRAORDINARY SIGHT RECORD.

1. Species White-Faced Ibis 2. Number: 2

3. Location 3 mi. S. of west edge of Lake View, Sac Co. Iowa

4. Date: 5-9-'75 and *4-19-'76 5. Time Bird seen: 10 AM to 4 PM

6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern (describe in great detail all parts of the plumage, and beak and feet coloration, in addition, to the diagnostic characteristics, but include only what actually was seen in the field):

About the size of a Black-crowned Night Heron, dark brown plumage which appeared bronzy. Decurved bill, dark legs. White line around eye quite visible. (I have not seen enough of the birds to say that it was definitely that it was a White-faced. According to the range map in Zinn it fits it most closely thus it does the Glossy Ibis.

7. Description of voice, if heard: No I recall. the two made light chirping calls but may not have called at all.

8. Description of behavior: Hopping around picking in mud with beak

9. Habitat - general: marsh specific: grazed wet prairie - wet at this time - usually dazed in June & July

Similarly appearing species which are eliminated by questions 6;7 & 8, Explain:

Little green heron

11. Distance (how measured)? 300 feet approximated 12. Optical equipment: 20X spotting scope

13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and you): light behind me, sky clear,

14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species: I saw one of these in NW Ohio. 25 years ago.

15. Other observers: Mark Bakenmayer, Ed Weiner

16. Did the others agree with your identification? Yes

17. Other observers who independently identified this bird: none

18. Books, illustrations and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

Birds of N. America (A Guide to Field Identification) by Robbins, Braun, Jim, Singl
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Signature: Glenn E. Jones Address: Glenn E. Jones

Date: 7-12-78 City, State: Rockwell City, Iowa 50579

However, they saw the 2 in 1975 as well as in 1976 so they should know the birds.
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(13) sent to [unclear] 4/19/76

BIRDS: VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF AN EXTRAORDINARY SIGHT RECORD.

1. Species: White-throated Sparrow 2. Number: 81-JC

3. Location: Redwell, Iowa

4. Date: 4-19-76 5. Time Bird seen: 10 AM to 4 PM

6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern (describe in great detail all parts of the plumage, and beak and feet coloration, in addition, to the diagnostic characteristics, but include only what actually was seen in the field):

Small sparrow-like bird. It was brown above, white below. It had a white throat and breast. It had a white forehead and a white patch on its forehead. It had a white patch on its forehead. (I have not seen enough of the bird to say that it was definitely that it was a White-throated. According to the range map in Zink it fits it most closely thus it does the best job.

7. Description of voice, if heard:

8. Description of behavior:

9. Habitat - general:
specific:

Similarly appearing species which are eliminated by questions 6,7 & 8, Explain:

11. Distance (how measured)? 100 feet 12. Optical equipment:

13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and you):

14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species:

15. Other observers: Mark Bakenmayer, Ed Meiner

16. Did the others agree with your identification? Yes

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